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TO: Clergy, lay readers, and choir directors
FROM: Bishop Bruce Myers
DATE: Saturday 3 July 2021
RE: Revised COVID-19 restrictions on singing

As the COVID-19 situation in Quebec continues to improve, public health officials have relaxed the restriction on choir singing in places of worship. That means that effective immediately, church choirs are able to resume singing under the following conditions:

- Masks are not required, but each singer must maintain a minimum distance of 2 metres from other people or be separated by a physical barrier (a full partition);
- After each service, the floor of the work area of each singer must be cleaned.

For the moment, **these protocols apply only to choirs**. Congregational singing remains prohibited, but the easing of these restrictions on choral music is an encouraging sign.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or Archdeacon Edward Simonton.